

NETWORKED PRINTER WITH HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INTERFACES FOR PERIPHERAL DEVICES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A networked printing system enables the printing of multimedia data received by a printer from local and networked peripheral devices. The printing system applies multimedia functions to the multimedia data and produces a paper or other printed output as well as a related electronic output. Together, the printed and electronic outputs provide a representation of the multimedia. The printer is also capable of communicating and controlling the functionality of the networked devices. Depending on the desired application for the printer, the printer may include any combination of mechanisms for receiving media data, printing the printed output, and producing the electronic output.